

Saint Louis Region Top Openings

2014-2024

Missouri’s Saint Louis region is expected to have more than 320,000 total job openings between 2014 and 2024. This includes openings created by new job growth, as well as those created through the need for replacement workers. Replacement openings occur due to retirement, turnover, or transferring to another occupation.

During this projection period, the 20 occupations with the greatest number of total openings include 4 Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations and 4 Office and Administrative Support Occupations. “Retail Salespersons” and “Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers” are the occupations that are expected to have the greatest number of total openings between 2014 and 2024, with over 11,000 total openings for each occupation.

Occupation	2014 Est. Employment	2024 Proj. Employment	Growth Openings	Replacement Openings	Total Openings	Average 2015 Wage
Retail Salespersons	31,343	32,121	778	10,864	11,642	\$27,634
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers	26,669	29,468	2,799	8,618	11,417	\$19,865
Waiters and Waitresses	21,768	22,155	387	10,474	10,861	\$19,388
Registered Nurses	30,019	33,303	3,284	7,083	10,367	\$60,935
Cashiers	22,432	22,726	294	9,544	9,838	\$21,653
Customer Service Representatives	22,639	24,397	1,758	5,575	7,333	\$35,309
General and Operations Managers	20,117	21,360	1,243	5,092	6,335	\$116,598
Personal Care Aides	14,660	18,852	4,192	1,186	5,378	\$21,059
Nursing Assistants	15,218	16,751	1,533	3,437	4,970	\$25,275
Office Clerks, General	20,871	21,044	173	4,501	4,674	\$32,630
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	14,427	14,646	219	4,294	4,513	\$31,149
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	18,053	18,645	592	3,586	4,178	\$23,302
Accountants and Auditors	11,624	12,628	1,004	3,102	4,106	\$78,646
Childcare Workers	9,649	10,828	1,179	2,847	4,026	\$21,405
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	12,300	12,392	92	3,904	3,996	\$28,037
Cooks, Restaurant	9,431	10,689	1,258	2,495	3,753	\$24,515
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	7,966	8,726	760	2,366	3,126	\$31,380
Secretaries and Admin Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	23,401	23,827	426	2,467	2,893	\$34,523
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	9,800	10,093	293	2,568	2,861	\$39,809
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	11,006	11,156	150	2,460	2,610	\$45,430

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